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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

This constitutes an Information Disclosure Statement pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. The attached documents listed on the accompanying "IDS List of References" (a substitute for Form PTO/SB/08) are hereby brought to the Examiner's attention in the patent application identified above.

REMARKS

Both of the presently submitted references, Cite Nos. U1 and F1 as listed on the IDS List of References submitted herewith, were cited in a search report communication, issued on August 4, 2009, from the European Patent Office in a counterpart application.

For the Examiner's reference as to the relevance of Cite Nos. U1 and F1, and a copy of the European Search Report also accompanies this paper.

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STATEMENT AS SPECIFIED IN 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e)

The undersigned hereby states that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider these references, and to indicate so on the accompanying IDS List of References and make the document of record in the present application.

Respectfully submitted,

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